CLAIMS

What Is Claimed Is:

- A wire reel feeding system for feeding and braking wire being pulled from
 a wire reel, comprising:
- a support for rotatably mounting the wire reel;
 - a brake arm pivotably mounted on the support, the brake arm having a body with brakes for the wire reel at a first end and an enclosed eyelet formed at a second end; the enclosed eyelet adapted to receive wire from the wire reel and more efficiently brake wire being pulled from the wire reel; and
 - a separate L-bar having an eyehook to guide wire being pulled from the wire reel through the enclosed eyelet, fixedly secured to the support against relative movement; the eyehook being aligned with the eyelet to more smoothly guide wire being pulled from the wire reel.
- 1 2. The wire reel feeding system of claim 1 wherein the brakes are
- 2 comprised of a plurality of brake pads aligned with side edges of opposed sides
- 3 of the wire reel, and the body includes an opening having a pivot pin held
- 4 therein.

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- 1 3. The wire reel feeding system of claim 2 wherein the pivot pin is rotatably
- 2 held in a pair of upstanding walls secured to a base held on the support, and
- 3 wherein the brake arm pivots in the base.

- 1 4. The wire reel feeding system of claim 3 wherein the eyelet is spaced from
- 2 the eyehook between about 93/4" and about 11" when wire is being pulled from
- 3 the wire reel through openings formed passing through the eyelet and the
- 4 eyehook.
- 1 5. The wire reel feeding system of claim 4 wherein the eyelet is spaced from
- 2 the eyehook about 10" when wire is being pulled from the wire reel through
- 3 openings formed passing through the eyelet and the eyehook.
- 1 6. The wire reel feeding system of claim 4, further including a handle for
- 2 carrying the wire reel.
- 1 7. The wire reel feeding system of claim 1 wherein there are a plurality of
- 2 wire reels rotatably mounted on the support.
- 1 8. The wire reel feeding system of claim 7 wherein there the support
- 2 includes means for moving the support along a surface.
- 1 9. The wire reel feeding system of claim 8 wherein there the support
- 2 includes means for supporting a further plurality of wire reels.
- 1 10. The wire reel feeding system of claim 1 wherein the support is
- 2 immovably mounted on a surface and there are a plurality of wire reels
- 3 rotatably mounted on the support.
- 1 11. The wire reel feeding system of claim 10 there are three wire reels
- 2 rotatably mounted on the support in a single line.

- 1 12. A wire reel feeding system for feeding and braking wire being pulled from 2 a wire reel, comprising:
- a support for rotatably mounting the wire reel;
- a brake arm pivotably mounted on the support; the brake arm having a body with brakes for the wire reel at a first end and an enclosed eyelet formed at a second end; wire from the wire reel being fed through the enclosed eyelet to pivot the brake arm and more efficiently brake the wire being pulled from the wire reel; and
- a separate L-bar having an eyehook through which the wire being pulled from the wire reel through the enclosed eyelet is fed; the separate L-bar being fixedly secured to the support against relative movement; the eyehook being aligned with the eyelet to more smoothly guide the wire being pulled from the wire reel.
 - 1 13. The wire reel feeding system of claim 12 wherein the brakes are
 - 2 comprised of a plurality of brake pads aligned with side edges of opposed sides
 - 3 of the wire reel; the body includes an opening having a pivot pin held therein;
 - 4 the pivot pin being rotatably held in a pair of upstanding walls secured to a
 - 5 base held on the support; and the brake arm being pivotably held in the base.
 - 1 14. The wire reel feeding system of claim 13 wherein the eyelet is spaced
 - 2 from the eyehook between about 934" and about 11" when the wire is being
 - 3 pulled from the wire reel through openings formed passing through the eyelet
 - 4 and the eyehook.

- 1 15. The wire reel feeding system of claim 14 wherein the eyelet is spaced
- 2 from the eyehook about 10" when wire is being pulled from the wire reel
- 3 through openings formed passing through the eyelet and the eyehook, and the
- 4 wire reel has a handle for carrying the wire reel.
- 1 16. The wire reel feeding system of claim 12 wherein there are a plurality of
- 2 wire reels rotatably mounted on the support.
- 1 17. The wire reel feeding system of claim 16 wherein there the support
- 2 includes wheels means for moving the support along a surface and a tray for
- 3 supporting a further plurality of wire reels.
- 1 18. The wire reel feeding system of claim 12 wherein the support is
- 2 immovably mounted on a surface and there are three wire reels rotatably
- 3 mounted on the support in a single line.
- 1 19. A wire reel feeding system for feeding and braking wire being pulled from
- 2 a wire reel, comprising:
- a support for rotatably mounting the wire reel;
- 4 a brake arm mounted on the support by means of a base that pivotably
- 5 holds the brake arm; the brake arm having a body with a pair of brake pads for
- 6 the wire reel secured to a first end and an enclosed eyelet secured at a second
- 7 end; wire from the wire reel being fed through the enclosed eyelet to pivot the
- 8 brake arm and more efficiently brake the wire being pulled from the wire reel;
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- a separate L-bar having an eyehook through which the wire being pulled
- 11 from the wire reel through the enclosed eyelet is fed; the separate L-bar having
- 12 a short arm and a long arm and being fixedly secured to the support by the
- 13 long arm against relative movement; the eyehook being aligned with the eyelet
- and spaced therefrom between about 93/4" and about 11" when the wire is being
- pulled from the wire reel, to more smoothly guide the wire.

- 1 20. The wire reel feeding system of claim 19 wherein there are a plurality of
- 2 wire reels rotatably mounted on the support.